Lowering the Eligibility Criteria for Civil Services

†395. SHRIMATI SUSHMA SWARAJ: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are considering to lower the eligibility criteria for civil services from graduation to 10+2;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether with the amendment in eligibility criteria, the maximum age limit would also be reduced; and

(d) if so, what would be the age limit?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRI SURESH PACHOURI): (a) to (d) No decision has been taken by Government in this regard.

Annual Plans for the States

396. SHRI LALITBHAI MEHTA:
SHRIMATI SAVITA SHARDA:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the details of annual plans, as approved by Planning Commission for States and Union Territories for the year 2005-06;

(b) in what way the finances for the above annual plan are to be generated by States and what would be the Government's share, State-wise; and

(c) the targets of rate of growth given to States for 2005-06?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING (SHRI M.V. RAJASEKHARAN): (a) and (b) A Statement, showing the size of the Annual Plan 2005-06 of States agreed upon so far in the meetings between the Deputy Chairman, Planning Commission and the Chief Minister of the State and Union Territory concerned is given in the enclosed Statement-I (*See* below). Out of these, details of State's Own Resources and Central Assistance indicating the way in which the Plan is financed have been

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

finalised for four States till date. Details are given in the enclosed Statement-II (*see* below).

(c) No specific targets of rate of growth have been given to States for 2005-06.

Statement-I

Approved annual plan 2005-06 of States/Union Territories

Sl.No.	State/UT	Agreed Outlay
1	2	3
	States	
1.	Andhra Pradesh	Not decided
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	950.00
3.	Assam	3000.00
4.	Bihar	Not decided
5.	Chhattisgarh	4275.00
6.	Goa	Not decided
7.	Gujarat	11000.00
8.	Haryana	Not decided
9.	Himachal Pradesh	1600.00
10.	Jammu and Kashmir	4200.00
11.	Jharkhand	4510.12
12.	Karnataka	13555.00
13.	Kerala	5369.00
14.	Madhya Pradesh	7471.00
15.	Maharashtra	Not decided
16.	Manipur	915.00
17.	Meghalaya	800.00
18.	Mizoram	685.00

1	2	3
19.	Nagaland	620.00
20.	Orissa	3000.00
21.	Punjab	3550.00
22.	Rajasthan	8350.00
23.	Sikkim	500.00
24.	Tamil Nadu	9100.00
25.	Tripura	804.00
26.	Uttar Pradesh	13500.00
27.	Uttaranchal	2700.00
28.	West Bengal	6476.00
	Union Territories	
29.	Delhi	5100.00
30.	Pondicherry	810.00
31.	Andaman and Nicobar Islands	499.00
32.	Chandigarh	Not decided
33.	Dadra & Nagar Haveli	Not decided
34.	Daman & Diu	Not decided
35.	Lakshadweep	Not decided

Note: Meetings to decide the Annual Plan 2005-06 not yet held for Arunachal Pradesh, Bihar, Goa, Haryana and Maharashtra.

Statement-II

Scheme of Financing for Annual Plans 2005-06 of Jharkhand, Madhya Pradesh, Rajasthan and Uttaranchal

(In Rs. Crore)

Sl.No.	Item	Jharkhand	Madhya Pradesh	Rajasthan	Uttaranchal
1	2	3	4	5	6
A.	**State's Own Resources (1 to 12)**	**3044.74**	**3962.86**	**5255.96**	**186.85**
1.	Balance from Current Revenues	1003.77	212.19	-1219.00	-1618.29
	(of which ARM)	97.08	0.00		
2.	Contribution of Public Enterprises	-469.19	0.00	190.09	0.00
	(i) State Electricity Board	-469.19	0.00	0.00	0.00
	(of which ARM)		0.00	0.00	0.00
	(ii) Road Transport Corporation	0.00	0.00	-45.50	0.00
	(of which ARM)		0.00	0.00	0.00
	(iii) Other Enterprises (Specify)	0.00	0.00	235.59	0.00
3.	State Provident Funds	173.37	50.00	1656.84	164.16
4.	Misc Capital Receipts (Net)	-454.18	-548.10	-926.90	-98.00
5.	Special Grants under EFC	**28.29**	**70.70**	**47.97**	**26.53**
	(i) Upgradation and special problems	28.29	70.79	47.97	26.43
6.	Loans against small savings	1277.06	2700.00	3320.00	1015.00
7.	Net Market Borrowings (SLR)	235.62	791.41	968.46	288.45
8.	Negotiated Loans and other Finances	1250.00	686.57	1098.50	250.00
	(i) LIC	0.00	0.00	90.00	25.00
	(ii) GIC	0.00	6.57	0	0.00
	(iii) NABARD	350.00	560.00	500.00	175.00
	(iv) REC	350.00	0.00	296.00	13.00
	(v) IDBI	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	(vi) Other (Specify)	550.00	120.00	212.50	37.00
9.	Debentures/Bonds (Non-SLR based)	0.00	0.00	120.00	50.00
10.	ARM agreed at Dy. Chmn. Level mtg.	0.00	0.00	0.00	109.00
11.	Adj. of opening Balance	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

1	2	3	4	5	6
12.	Net Surplus from Local Bodies	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
B.	**Central Assistance (13 to 15)**	**1465.38**	**3508.14**	**3094.23**	**1401.16**
13.	Normal Central Assistance	631.26	1269.31	1039.65	778.60
14.	Additional Central Assistance for EAPs	47.00	711.07	1063.00	223.16
15.	Others (a) to (d)	**787.12**	**1527.76**	**991.58**	**399.40**
	(a) Special Central Assistance	77.12	109.40	85.17	5.86
	(i) Border Areas Development Programme	0.00	0.00	30.32	4.16
	(ii) **Hill Areas/Western Ghat Development Programme** Hill Areas Western Ghat	**0.00**	**0.00**	**0.00**	**0.00**
	(iii) Tribal Sub Plan	52.83	70.50	32.85	0.84
	(iv) Grants under Article 275(i)	24.29	38.90	22.00	0.86
	(v) Special Central Assistance			0.00	
	(b) ACA for specific projects	**678.00**	**1358.36**	**842.72**	**293.54**
	(i) Accelerated Irrigation benefit Programme	31.00	750.00	400.00	30.50
	(ii) Accelerated Power Development Reform Programme	167.28	169.77	26.68	43.77
	(iii) Control of Shifting Cultivation			0.00	10.13
	(iv) Rashtriya sam Vikas Yojana	240.00	150.00	45.00	45.00
	(v) Initiative for Strengthening Urban Infrastructure	10.50	28.20	23.15	3.80
	(vi) National Social Assistance Programme and Annapurna	46.13	76.44	37.71	12.29
	(vii) Prime Minister's Gramodaya Yojana	74.46	85.00	106.11	70.00
	(viii) Loans to States for Rural Electrification	68.00	8.00	0.00	70.00
	(ix) Roads and Bridges	17.44	52.01	67.87	0.00
	(x) Slum Development	18.55	33.59	30.05	3.69
	(xi) Special ACA for Pregnant, Lactating Women and Adolescents	4.64	5.35	6.15	2.80
	(xii) National E-Governance Action Plan	4.64	5.35	6.15	1.56
	(c) Special Plan Assistance			3.69	100.00
	(d) One time ACA for (to be specified for each State/UTs)	32.00	60.00	60.00	
C.	**Aggregate Plan Resources**	4510.12	7471.00	8350.19	2700.00
D.	**Approved Annual Plan Outlay for 2005-06**	**4510.12**	**7471.00**	**8350.00**	**2700.00**

Note: In the case of Uttaranchal, the Aggregate plan resources includes the expected award of Twelfth Finance Commission amounting to Rs. 1112.00 crore.